Year	2022-23
Course number and Name:	ENGL 2300 Ethics and Literature, 2322 Brit sh Lit., 2326 American Lit., 2331 Brit sh Lit., 2376
	African American Lit.
Component area:	Language and Culture
Number of sect ons of ered:	Fall 22 2300 (4 face to face, 2 online), 2322 (2 f to f, 1 online), 2326 (2 f to f, 2 online), 2331 (1
	online), 2376 (2 f to f)
Number of students enrolled:	Fall 22 360
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Summary of Cont nuous Improvement Ef orts since Last Report

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Our core classes are the only prerequisites in the core. Students take, in sequence, ENGL 1301, then 1302, and then an ENGL 23***. Along with PHIL 2306 and 1370, which are also in our department, we coordinate writing assignments, outcomes, and expectations in all our courses. We huse assessment to help coordinate and balance these courses. We use assessment in of exing grading and assessment norms training. Communication (writing) and critical thinking (literary and rhetorical analysis) are

Crit cal Thinking (required)	scored Semester- end Essay	College: 70% will be "passing." Department: 60% will be proficient or acceptable.	Based on All ENGL 23*** courses College 69%* Department: 73%	ENGL 23** courses tended to be lower than other disciplines in college method. We emphasize literary analysis.	Raise dept. expectat on to 70% to be closer to other disciplines. Meet ngs between Philosophy and ENGL to establish comparable assessment results. Decide which rubric/system to follow.
Select One:Empirical & Quant tat ve SkillsTeamworkx_Social responsibilityPersonal Responsibility	scored Semester- end Essay	College: 70% will be "passing." Department: 60% will be proficient or acceptable.	Based on All ENGL 23*** courses. College 69% of students passing. Department: 76% but our scores were varied.	Ethical issues are in the content of both PHIL and ENGL classes at this level. We need to define to ourselves what	Raise dept. expectat on to 70%. Meet ngs between Philosophy and ENGL to establish comparable assessment results. Decide which rubric/system to follow. Def ne social responsibility to ourselves.
Select One:Empirical & Quant tat ve SkillsTeamwork	Semester-end Essay		Based on All ENGL 23*** courses. College 72% of students passing.	In both methods, we had a hard t me def ning Personal Responsibility.	Raise dept. expectat on to 70%. Meet ngs between Philosophy and

Table 2. Continuous Improvement Results Since Last Report

STAGE 4: ACT		
Act ons/Goals based on data	Status	Discussion of status
results		
Sophomore Literature Commit ee	P	We will add the tasks/goals listed above to the commit ee meet ngs and
		open to all literature and philosophy instructors.
New goals:	Focus on improving Crit cal	We will begin this task in academic year 23-24.
	Thinking in our Core English and	
	Philosophy courses. Define	
	Personal and Social Responsibility	
	to ourselves.	

Rubrics: Communication: Writing Outcome

Using their reading and/or research, students will compose critical/analytical/argumentative essays with a clear thesis and introduction.

Using their reading and/or research, students will compose critical/analytical/argumentative essays with organized supporting paragraphs.

Students will use the standard conventions of English grammar and punctuation and write clear and efficient sentences.

Students will maintain a style and persona appropriate for a particular purpose and audience.

Rubric Commu	nication: Written				
Criteria	1 developing	2 marginal	3 acceptable	4 proficient	Score
Clear thesis, introduction, main body, and conclusion. (Development)	The essay has no clear thesis; the introduction is incoherent or not unified; or introduction is not related to the thesis. Thus the body and conclusion have nothing to develop or prove.	A general, vague, or poorly stated, implied, or posed thesis appears in an otherwise coherent, unified, appropriate introduction. Or, a clear thesis is marred by an introduction that is not unified, coherent, or appropriate for the thesis. The main body and conclusion, thus, do not fully develop or prove the thesis.	A clear and specific thesis (whether implied, posed, or directly stated) appears in a coherent, unified, and appropriate introduction. The main body and conclusion, with some problems, develop or prove the thesis.	A clear, specific, particularly insightful thesis (whether implied, posed, or directly stated) appears in a coherent, unified, and appropriate introduction. Or a coherent and unified introduction poses a clear, particularly insightful implied thesis. The main body and conclusion develop or prove the thesis.	
Support and Paragraphing (Development & Interpretation)	Paragraphs are not developed, unified, or coherent. The evidence is illogical, weak, confusing or absent.	Mostly developed, unified, and coherent paragraphs that fit into the entire essay offer clear and logical support.	Developed, unified, and coherent paragraphs that fit into the entire essay offer clear and logical support and interpretation.	Developed, unified, and coherent paragraphs that fit into the entire essay offer revealing and insightful support and interpretation.	

Sentence style, conventions, grammar, punctuation, spelling, and

Critical Thinking: (see Communication)

Outcome: In an essay written out-of-class or an in-class essay written with preparation and previous study or in presentation, students will analyze or assess

- 1. a literary or artistic work,
- 2. a political, sociological, philosophical, psychological, cultural, or historical movement, event, idea, argument, policy, belief, etc.

Rubric Critical	Thinking				
Criteria	1 developing	2 marginal	3 acceptable	4 proficient	score
Explanation of Issues (Inquiry)	Problem was stated without clarification or description	Problem was stated, but some boundaries were undetermined	Problem was stated and described	Demonstrated the ability to use inquiry by clearly stating and comprehensively describing the problem.	
Creative Thinking, Innovation, Analysis, Evaluation, Synthesis	The essay or presentation summarizes the plot, main idea, or problem or describes a literary work(s), but does not critically analyze a literary or artistic work(s) or an idea, movement, epoch, event, etc.	The essay or presentation reveals a familiarity with a literary or artistic work(s) or an idea, movement, epoch, event, etc.	An essay or presentation shows a firm understanding and exemplification in critically analyzing and evaluating a literary or artistic work(s) or an idea, movement, process, epoch, event, etc.	The essay or presentation shows in-depth thought in critically analyzing literary or artistic work(s) or an idea, movement, process, epoch, event, etc. Conclusions are synthesized and reflect originality and creativity.	

Social	Responsibility:
Note:	